

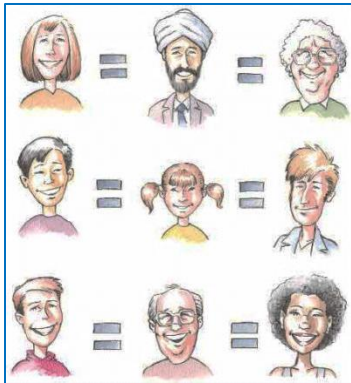
THE CHILDREN'S HOUSE PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN PARENT BULLETIN January 19, 2012



Preschoolers watch with interest as Mrs. Llanos explains about the octopus

Dear Parents & Grandparents:

Our Word of the Week is **EQUALITY**



We are all equal in value to God. No one is more important than another. But that does not mean we are all exactly the same. What a boring world it would be if there were no differences. But it does mean that each of us is uniquely special—an original creation by God.

*“For you created my inmost being, you knit me together
in my mother’s womb. I praise you because
I am fearfully and wonderfully made;
your works are wonderful. I know that full well.”
Psalm 139:13,14*

You are special! So is your neighbor, across the road or across the sea! That alone should be a convincing basis for parity and justice in this world.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| 1/23 – 1/27, 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. | Scholastic Book Fair in Pod 4 |
| 2/1, Wednesday | DEADLINE for re-registration for 2012-2013 school year |
| 2/1, Wednesday | POD 1 – Field trip to the Bishop Museum |
| 2/2, Thursday and | Conference days for Preschool and Kindergarten |
| 2/3, Friday | NO SCHOOL for Preschool and Kindergarten only |
| | Note: School will be in session for Grades 1 through 6 |
| 2/3, Friday | POD 6 – Field trip to the Polynesian Cultural Center |
| 2/8, Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. | Parent Workshop: “Disciplining Children With Love” |
| 2/10, Friday | POD 2 – Field trip to the Bishop Museum |
| 2/20, Monday | NO SCHOOL – Presidents’ Day Holiday |
| 3/12 – 3/16 | NO SCHOOL – Spring Break |
| 3/19, Monday | Students return from Spring Break |
| 3/26, Monday | NO SCHOOL – Prince Kuhio Holiday |



Bishop Museum

TIME IS RUNNING OUT TO RE-REGISTER!



February 1st is the deadline to re-register your child for the 2012-2013 school year. Please be sure that **both** sides of the Parent Contract are complete and **all** responsible parties sign the back page. Your registration fee must accompany your Parent Contract in order for your re-registration to be complete. If you need another copy of the re-registration form or have questions, please contact the office.



GOING GREEN AND SAVING COSTS

We hope you are enjoying our electronic newsletters. Since we have gone electronic, we have been able to expand our newsletter to provide you with more pictures and more color than ever before! If we had to print the newsletter, it would cost between \$150 to \$200 every week! By not printing the newsletter, we are able to steer the savings towards supplies for our students. As you know, unlike other schools in Hawaii, we do not give you a supply list to fill. The Children’s House provides all the supplies. This cost savings allows us to do just that. Please kokua and look at the newsletters either through your e-mail or on our website. Click on the “Newsletters” tab to see the latest newsletter.

DISCIPLINING CHILDREN WITH LOVE



“Disciplining Children With Love” is a Parent Workshop which will be held on Wednesday, February 8 at 6:30 p.m. in the Pavilion. This workshop will be conducted by Mrs. Lianne Casupang, a current parent at The Children’s House and a licensed mental health counselor for the State of Hawaii. This workshop is designed to assist parents in identifying disciplinary techniques that are effective in addressing behavioral issues, while also displaying their unconditional love to children. A letter explaining the workshop in greater detail was sent home with your child earlier this week. If you are interested in attending this workshop, please be sure to complete and return the form to your child’s teacher **by Friday, February 3rd**.

REMEMBER TO SIGN-UP FOR YOUR PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCE

Conference sign-up sheets for preschool and kindergarten are located in your child’s classroom. Parent-teacher conferences will be held on Thursday, February 2 and Friday, February 3. This second conference is **mandatory** since no interim report cards will be sent home for the preschoolers and kindergarteners. This will be an excellent opportunity for you to meet with your child’s teachers, ask questions and learn how your child is progressing. These conference days are for preschool and kindergarten parents only.

School will be in session for all elementary students in Grades 1 through 6.



STATE AND FEDERAL TAX ID NUMBERS

For income tax purposes, the tax ID numbers for The Children’s House are as follows:

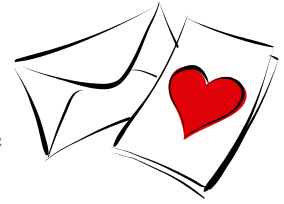
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VALENTINE'S DAY CARDS

If your child is planning to give Valentine's Day cards to their classmates, please do not put gift items or candies in the envelopes. Also, do not put names on the envelopes. This makes passing out the cards easier for the teachers. Thank you for your cooperation.



Our children are looking forward to their classroom valentine celebrations next month. Please remember that only special treats that parents have already signed up for should be sent to school.

PRESCHOOL/KINDERGARTEN PARENTS MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

Reading Readiness

Is your child on the road to reading success?



Your young child is not expected to know how to read yet. For most children, that happens around first grade. But there are early signs that indicate your child is on track now to begin reading when he is six or seven years old.

Check for and encourage these signs in your child:

- Your child likes books. He enjoys being read to. He enjoys picking up a picture book and looking through it.
- Your child knows that the words in the book tell a story.
- Your child looks for a few familiar words, such as his name, or the word "stop" on a sign.
- Your child knows some letters: A, B, C or more.
- Your child enjoys nursery rhymes and other books of rhyme.

Talk to your child's preschool teacher or doctor if he is four or five years old and you don't notice any of these signs.

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POD 3 IS LEARNING ABOUT HAWAIIANA

In preparation for their Hawaiian Day, Pod 3 children pounded he`e (octopus), and dried opelu (fish) in a dry box. They learned about the various Hawaiian plants such as the kalo (taro), kī plant (ti leaf), and kukui nut from the candlenut tree. They also learned how these plants are used for food, medicine, instruments, and utensils.



Our uniform supplier, Campus Creations, asked us to pass this information along to all of our parents regarding their sale on school uniforms (please see flyer below).

JAN 17 - FEB 3

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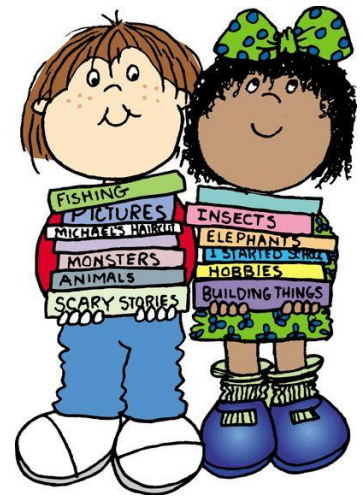
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God Bless,

The Children's House Administration

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Dear Parents and families:

COME TO OUR

Book Fair

It's a Reading Celebration!

We are excited to let you know that The Children's House will be hosting its first Scholastic Book Fair on:

Dates: Monday, January 23 through Friday, January 27

Time: 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. each day

Place: Pod 4

This is an excellent opportunity for parents and their children to look through a wonderful selection of fun and engaging books at affordable prices. Giving children access to good books and the opportunity to choose their own books will motivate them to read more.

Hope to see you there!

Only credit and debit cards will be accepted. No cash and no checks please. We look forward to seeing our families at the Book Fair!

